

W.C.T.U. LOSES GREAT LEADER

In the Death of Mrs. Zimmerman Who for Eighteen Years Guided Organization

The funeral of Mrs. Kate E. Zimmerman was conducted today at one o'clock at the First Methodist Church. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Elizabeth City of which Mrs. Zimmerman was president for eighteen years attended the funeral in a body and by her request the casket was tied with a band of white ribbon, the emblem of this organization's ideals.

As the pall bearers entered the church the congregation sang softly, "Nearer My God to Thee" and after prayer by Rev. J. F. Gray and the solo "Face to Face" the funeral sermon was preached by Rev. G. F. Smith from the fourteenth verse of the fourteenth chapter of Job, and the service closed with the quartette "Jesus is Mine". Beautiful floral offerings expressed the respect and love of those with whom Mrs. Zimmerman had worked and among whom she had lived. Accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Zimmerman the body was taken on the afternoon train to Lewisburg Pa. for interment.

Mrs. Zimmerman died Monday morning between three and four o'clock at the home of her nephew on Pennsylvania Avenue, Mr. W. B. Zimmerman, after an illness of four weeks. She was seventy nine years old and had been in failing health for the past two years. Two nephews in this city survive her, W. B. and N. R. Zimmerman. Mrs. Zimmerman came to Elizabeth City from Pennsylvania about forty years ago, and for many years was a leader in the religious work of her church, the First Methodist Church of this city, being president of the Woman's Missionary Society and actively interested in every department of church work. Her greatest interest perhaps, however was the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and this she gave up last and last reluctantly. To the members of this organization and to many friends throughout the city her death is a great loss and a heavy sorrow.

SENIOR NUMBER NEXT MONTH

The next number of the High School Magazine, the Tatler, which will come off the press during Commencement week is the crowning literary achievement of the Senior Class and records their progress and experiences. This number will be of more than ordinary interest and merit.

MANY HONORS FOR STUDENTS

And Aftermath of Commencement Festivities Continues During Court Week

Manteo, N. C., May 24—The Commencement of Manteo High School closed last Tuesday evening with the presentation of flags, choruses and instrumental music by the high school and grammar grade pupils. More than five hundred people gathered in the auditorium of the new school building to enjoy these exercises.

On Tuesday morning after a chorus by the high school and an address of welcome by the principal, Supt. B. G. Crisp arose and in a few brief but appropriate words introduced Prof. H. E. Austin of the Science Department of the Carolina Teachers' Training School who came as a substitute for President Wright, the latter having been prevented from coming on account of the severe illness of Ex-Governor Jarvis. Mr. Austin spoke on "Community Ideals". "Among the ideals necessary in any school community," said he "are those of health, morality, usefulness, and religion. All these go to make up the truly educated community." The speaker emphasized the importance of both heredity and environment but laid especial stress on the latter and by numerous and vivid illustrations drawn from the life of plants and lower animals showed how great is the influence of environment upon the boys and girls.

After the address diplomas were awarded to the seventh grade students—Iva Jennett, Ailie Midgett, Delia Midgett, Jennie Midgett, Marie Griffin, and Lorna Brothers, pupils of Manteo. Ethel Meekins, Josephine Meekins and Belle Nixon of Stumpy Point.

Next the prizes were awarded. All the prizes offered were given by the teachers of the school. Mrs. W. R. Gray who has done excellent work in the primary department offered five books for those pupils in the first, second and third grades who made the most 'headmarks' in spelling during the year. These books were awarded to Harry Westcott, Margaret Griffin, Alma Meekins Phoebe Gould and Samuel Midgett. Miss Eunice McKay who has worked so diligently with the seventh grade gave each of the six seventh grade graduates a beautiful gold pin.

Gold pins bearing the names of the 'Di' and 'Phi' societies as founders of the North Carolina Debating Union were awarded to Naomi Daniels, Lillian Hassel Louise Miller and Madge Daniels. These were given by Prof. Joyner.

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A WORD IN FLY SEASON

The Fly Season is here. Flies are filthy and they carry disease. Death will claim its victims here in Elizabeth City before the season is far spent. The fly is born in the manure heap, visits the slops and garbage at your back door, bathes in the disease-laden privy vault and comes to your home directly from the consumptive's cuspidor. His morning bath is taken in your milk pitcher; his loathsome specks fall upon the bread you eat. Fresh from the most disgusting filth the fly dines with you, crawls over your food and your face, irritating you with his persistent and hateful touch, deposits his excreta, full of disease germs, upon the lip of your baby, pollutes the baby's bottle, nipple and food. The uncovered manure heap, garbage cans, dirty back yards and alley ways all invite the fly. Do these conditions exist around your home? Have you done anything this spring to clean up your premises? Have you screened your house? If not, now is the time for every good citizen to look out for the health of his family and community. Screen your doors and windows. Trap the fly. Clean up your premises and keep them clean and thereby destroy the breeding place of flies. Make your outhouse fly-proof. Swat the fly and, if not inclined to swat on account of physical inertia, purchase some tanglefoot fly paper and catch the fly while you sit in ease and comfort reading your morning paper.

GOOD PROGRAM FOR MEETING

Camden - Currituck Baptists Will Discuss Many Features Of Religious Work

The program for the Camden Currituck Union meeting to be held Friday Saturday and Sunday of this week at Sawyers Creek Baptist Church in Camden County, published in The Advance a few weeks ago, promises a meeting of more than ordinary interest to the Baptist of this section.

The introductory sermon on Friday will be preached by Dr. B. C. Henning of this city at eleven o'clock. The afternoon discussion on the subject of "The Necessity for Intelligent Conviction" will be led by Rev. I. N. Loftin, followed by W. N. Gregory, Herbert Peele, E. F. Aydtlett, and Rev. J. K. Henderson, who will speak of the service rendered in this connection by the pulpit, the press, the Sunday School and the home.

Saturday morning's discussion will be led by Dr. B. C. Henning, the various phases of the subject, "The Authority of the Bible the Only Guide, Faith and Practice in Religion", being taken up in detail by Rev. T. J. Ragland, Rev. N. P. Stallings, Rev. C. R. Angell, and Rev. I. N. Loftin. Further announcement of the program for Saturday and Sunday will be made in Friday's issue of this newspaper.

BANQUET THURSDAY NIGHT

The Elizabeth City Lodge of Odd Fellows will give a banquet Thursday night in honor of their representative for the Grand Lodge.

HOUSE BURNS IN STORM

Considerable Damage Was Done By Wind and Lightning Last Night

Manteo, May 24—The "Ankepit" residence on the old Bliven farm just outside of town was struck by lightning last night, caught fire and burned to the ground. The ruins of the house were still smoking this morning.

One of the severest electric and wind storms of the season struck Manteo yesterday evening, and for a while the roar of wind and the rumble of thunder and the rattle of hail striking windows and roof made conversation difficult.

It was while the latest guests at the Tranquil House were at supper, and when the storm was just getting underway, that the sharp crack of a thunderbolt told unmistakably that the lightning had found a mark at no great distance. Almost immediately afterwards the acrid smell of smoke was observed in the air but it was some time before the whereabouts of the flame was discovered—too late to save the building. The residence had just been left vacant.

Sanderlin's Floating theatre also suffered in the storm the electric motor being entirely put out of commission at the same time that the building was struck. Mr. Sanderlin was therefore able to put on no show on the first night of court week when he had every prospect of a big crowd.

Miss Minnie Tozey has returned from Raleigh where she has attended Meredith College for the past session.

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ITALY ENTERS RANKS OF WAR

With Army Ready For Conflict and Hope of Gaining "Unredeemed Italy"

Italy is at war with Austria Hungary.

With the issuance of the general mobilization order Sunday the Italian government issued a proclamation declaring war on Austria to begin officially yesterday.

Prior to this and after a lengthy consultation, the ministers of war and marine proclaimed all the provinces bordering on Austria and the inland and coast towns of the Adriatic in a state of war which was equivalent to the establishment of martial law, the step usually proceeding the formal declaration.

Although drastic action had been looked for momentarily Italians of all classes have been electrified by the swiftly moving events.

The entrance of Italy into the world war which began last August, increases the number of states engaged in the conflict to eleven. Italy allied with Germany and Austria Hungary since 1882 in the Triple Alliance was called on last summer shortly after the assassination of the Austrian crown prince, to support the Germanic empires. She declined and there began a series of diplomatic negotiations which soon resolved themselves into efforts on the part of Germany and Austria Hungary to induce her to remain neutral.

Prince Von Buelow, an astute German statesman, whose wife is an Italian woman was sent to Rome. He labored indefatigably for months, but in vain. He offered Italy certain parts of Austrian territory as the price of neutrality, but

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GILBERT MEETS DEMAND

Judging from the appearance of business activity in Mitchell's Department Store since the opening of the big Mid-Season Sale last Thursday an observer would be moved to say, "Well, they must have sold out everything"; and indeed the business done in the past few days would have cleaned up the average store. But Mr. Gilbert is always on the job and was never known to fail to rise to the occasion. So far from announcing that the sale is over, he has surprised his patrons new and old by supplying the demand for everything needed and sought for and is announcing that the sale continues in full force throughout the week, with new bargains everyday. His advertisement on the back page of this issue of The Advance suggests a few of the big hits of his mid-season sale.

COURT CONVENES AT MANTEO

Cases Chiefly are of Civil Nature. Report Of Thompson Case Grossly Incorrect

Manteo, May 25—Court convenes here today with Judge Wheelbee on the bench. The criminal docket is short and without sensational cases and it is thought that most of the time will be given to the civil issue docket.

A reporter for this newspaper interviewed attorney B. G. Crisp with reference to the alleged brutal conduct of A. F. Thompson, recently released from State prison on pardon granted by Governor Craig toward his daughter a girl of fifteen.

Mr. Crisp said that the report of the affair which had gotten into print was grossly incorrect and unfair to Thompson. "Thompson did kill his wife after she had run away with another man," Mr. Crisp said, "but the evidence which the jury believed was to the effect that the killing was accidental and resulted from a struggle between the two for the possession of their child, which the woman had taken from the home where Thompson had left it to be cared for."

"On the night of the alleged brutal treatment of his daughter," Mr. Crisp went on to say, "the girl had been out to quite a late hour and was taken to task for it and corrected by Thompson. This is what the girl and her father both say and I do not believe that there is any substantial evidence to the contrary."

Mr. Crisp says further that Thompson did not run away after the occurrence but remained here until work was stopped on the new school building on which he had been employed; and that he then went to Newport News and at the present time is at work in the shipyard there.

Mr. Crisp also made the interesting observation that as a matter of fact the contractor for the new school building is W. P. Gray and that Thompson was employed by him as were other laborers. Neither, according to Mr. Crisp, has the girl in the case ever been a student at the Teachers' Training School at Greenville.

HELP WANTED—MALE

Salesman wanted for Elizabeth City to sell our full line of goods from house to house. Good paying permanent position if you mean business. Salesman must own a horse and furnish personal bond. Address Grand Union Tea Co., 450 Granby Street, Norfolk Va. May 25-28 June 1 and

Mr. E. M. Wheelbee has returned from Wake Forest College.